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Hello, again! You have been doing very well. Let's continue our unit on the division of fractions. You know that we can divide by integers or fractions. However, there is one number we can NEVER divide by. That is the number ZERO.

Here is your next problem.

$$0 \div \frac{2}{3} = ?$$

- |                          |                  |
|--------------------------|------------------|
| (a) Can't divide by zero | Turn to page 121 |
| (b) 0 (zero)             | Turn to page 111 |

Correct! 15 is the right answer.

$$14 \div 7/8 = ?$$

(a)  $1/16$

Turn to page 109

(b) 16

Turn to page 113

(c)  $8/7$

Turn to page 128

Correct!

One more:

$$3/4 \div 0 = ?$$

- (a) Can't divide by zero      Turn to page 107
- (b) 0      Turn to page 124

Correct!

Now, what does  $3 \div \frac{2}{3}$  equal?

- |                      |                              |
|----------------------|------------------------------|
| (a) $3/1 \times 3/2$ | Turn to page 113             |
| (b) $3/3 \times 3/2$ | Turn to page 125             |
| (c) $3/1 \times 2/3$ | Turn to page 90 in Booklet I |
| (d) $1/3 \times 2/3$ | Turn to page 109             |

**Incorrect.**

**You seem to be having trouble with division of fractions. Let's go back and look at the main ideas again.**

**Turn to page 15 of Booklet I and be more careful in your work this time.**

Good! Correct.

Now let's try this one again.

$$3 \div 2/5 = ?$$

(a)  $15/2$

Turn to page 135

(b)  $2/15$

Turn to page 109

(c)  $6/5$

Turn to page 75 in Booklet I



Very good! You can never divide by zero.

$$3 \div 2/5 = ?$$

(a)  $7 \frac{1}{2}$

Turn to page 112

(b)  $2/15$

Turn to page 109

(c)  $5/2$

Turn to page 131

(d)  $15/2$

Turn to page 127

Incorrect:

Zero divided into any number of parts is still

"nothing." You know what "nothing" is, don't you?

Yep! It's a bladeless knife without a handle. Get it?

In other words, zero divided by any number is still  
zero.

$$0 \div 4 = ?$$

- |                          |                  |
|--------------------------|------------------|
| (a) Can't divide by zero | Turn to page 110 |
| (b) 4                    | Turn to page 110 |
| (c) 0                    | Turn to page 126 |

Incorrect. Let's look at an example problem.

$3 \div 2/5$  reads "3 divided by  $2/5$ ." Therefore,  $2/5$  is the divisor.

$$4 \div 3/7 = ?$$

(a)  $28/3$

Turn to page 113

(b)  $3/28$

Turn to page 90 in Booklet I

You seem to be having trouble.

Go see your teacher and tell him your trouble.

Then return to page 101 of Booklet II of this Unit  
and continue.

Page 111

Okay!

Now, what's  $2/5 \div 0$ ?

(a) Can't divide by zero      Turn to page 107

(b) 0      Turn to page 124

Correct!  $7 \frac{1}{2}$  is the correct answer.

Is  $15/2$  correct for  $3 \div 2/5$  as well as  $7 \frac{1}{2}$ ?

(a) Yes

Turn to page 135

(b) No

Turn to page 122

Now you've got it!

$$6 \div 2/3 = ?$$

$$(a) \frac{6 \times 2}{1 \times 3} = 4$$

Turn to page 75 in Booklet I

$$(b) \frac{1 \times 2}{6 \times 3} = 1/9$$

Turn to page 90 in Booklet I

$$(c) \frac{6 \times 3}{1 \times 2} = 9$$

Turn to page 106



While we can divide integers by changing them to fractions, there is one number we can NEVER divide by. That number is ZERO.

$$0 \div 2/3 = ?$$

- (a) 0                      Turn to page 111
- (b) Can't divide by zero      Turn to page 121



My goodness! You are having trouble, aren't you?

Let's study another example.  $1/2 \div 3$  means that the fraction  $1/2$  is to be divided into 3 parts. So, if we took  and divided it into  's, each part would then be what fraction of the whole?  $1/6$  is correct.

In the example, what number is the divisor?

(a)  $1/2$

Turn to page 2 in Booklet I

(b)  $1/6$

Turn to page 105

(c) 3

Turn to page 130

Very good!

Let's do it all the way this time.

$$5/6 \div 3 = ?$$

(a)  $5/2$

Turn to page 75 in Booklet I

(b)  $5/18$

Turn to page 106

(c)  $18/5$

Turn to page 115

Correct!

Zero divided by any number, except itself, is always zero.

$$0 \div 2/7 = ?$$

- |                          |                  |
|--------------------------|------------------|
| (a) Can't divide by zero | Turn to page 119 |
| (b) 0                    | Turn to page 103 |

Correct!

$$3/8 \div 2 = ?$$

(a)  $3/16$

Turn to page 139

(b)  $3/4$

Turn to page 129

(c)  $16/3$

Turn to page 123

Incorrect.

You're dividing by  $2/7$ , not zero.

Try again.

What's  $0 \div 3$ ?

(a) 0

Turn to page 103

(b) 3

Turn to page 108

Correct!

Let's do another.

$$7/8 \div 5 = ?$$

(a)  $7/8 \times 1/5$

Turn to page 116

(b)  $8/7 \times 5/1$

Turn to page 115

Incorrect.

You are not dividing by zero; you are dividing by  $\frac{2}{3}$ .

$$0 \div 3 = ?$$

- (a) Can't divide by zero      Turn to page 110
- (b) 3                              Turn to page 108
- (c) 0                              Turn to page 117

Incorrect.

$$3 \div \frac{2}{5} = \frac{3}{1} \times \frac{5}{2} = \frac{15}{2}.$$

However,  $\frac{15}{2}$  may be written as the mixed number  $7 \frac{1}{2}$ . So  $\frac{15}{2}$  and  $7 \frac{1}{2}$  are both correct answers for  $3 \div \frac{2}{5}$ .

Turn to page 135.



I'm sorry, but you must have misunderstood.

When you divide by an integer, you multiply by its reciprocal.

Example:  $2/7 \div 3 = 2/7 \times 1/3 = \frac{2 \times 1}{7 \times 3} = 2/21.$

$3/8 \div 4 = ?$

- (a)  $8/3 \times 4$       Turn to page 115
- (b)  $3/8 \times 1/4$       Turn to page 120
- (c) I need more help      Turn to page 105

Page 124

Whoops! Caught you napping. Can't divide by zero,  
remember?

Go to page 114 and continue.

You seem to have trouble multiplying fractions.

Go to Unit 6 and review the multiplication of fractions.

Then return to page 1 of Booklet #1 of this Unit.

Correct.

Zero divided by any number, except itself, is  
always zero.

$$0 \div 2/7 = ?$$

- (a) Can't divide by zero      Turn to page 119
- (b) 0      Turn to page 103

Page 127

Good.  $15/2$  is a correct answer.

Is  $7 \frac{1}{2}$  correct for  $3 \div \frac{2}{5}$ , as well as  $15/2$ ?

(a) Yes

Turn to page 135

(b) No

Turn to page 122

I'm sorry, but you must not have understood the last question.

When multiplying a fraction by an integer, we change the integer to a fraction, then multiply.

Example:  $5 \times \frac{2}{3} = \frac{5}{1} \times \frac{2}{3} = \frac{5 \times 2}{1 \times 3} = \frac{10}{3}.$

$14 \times \frac{8}{7} = ?$

(a)  $\frac{14 \times 8}{14 \times 7}$

Turn to page 125

(b)  $\frac{14 \times 8}{1 \times 7}$

Turn to page 104

I'm sorry, but you must have misunderstood.

When you divide by an integer, you multiply by its reciprocal.

Example:  $2/7 \div 3 = 2/7 \times 1/3 = \frac{2 \times 1}{7 \times 3} = 2/21.$

$3/8 \div 4 = ?$

(a)  $8/3 \times 4$  Turn to page 115

(b)  $3/8 \times 1/4$  Turn to page 120

(c) I need more help  
Turn to page 105

Okay. Now the rule for division is to multiply the dividend by the reciprocal of the divisor.

So,  $5/6 \div 3 = ?$

- |                      |                              |
|----------------------|------------------------------|
| (a) $5/6 \times 1/3$ | Turn to page 116             |
| (b) $5/6 \times 3/1$ | Turn to page 90 in Booklet I |
| (c) $6/5 \times 3/1$ | Turn to page 105             |



Incorrect.

The number 3 is equal to the fraction  $3/1$ . Therefore,

$$3 \div 2/5 = 3/1 \div 2/5 = 3/1 \times 5/2 = 15/2.$$

$$5 \div 1/3 = ?$$

(a)  $1/15$

Turn to page 109

(b) 15

Turn to page 102

(c) 3

Turn to page 128

Very good!

Let's continue.

$$x/3 \div y/5 = ?$$

- (a)  $5x/3y$  Turn to page 157
- (b)  $3y/5x$  Turn to page 146
- (c) I don't know how to work with letters  
Turn to page 153

Incorrect. The divisor was 6.

So, applying our rule for division:

$$8/3 \div 6 = 8/3 \times 1/6 = \frac{8 \times 1}{3 \times 6} = 8/18 = 4/9.$$

Try this one.

$$2/5 \div 4 = ?$$

(a)  $8/5$

Turn to page 105

(b) 10

Turn to page 115

(c)  $1/10$

Turn to page 118

Incorrect.

$$1 \frac{4}{5} = \frac{9}{5}$$

and

$$2 \frac{1}{3} = \frac{7}{3}.$$

Try again.

$$2 \frac{1}{5} \div 4 \frac{3}{4} = ?$$

(a)  $\frac{11}{5} \div \frac{19}{4}$       Turn to page 144

(b)  $\frac{1}{10} \div \frac{3}{16}$       Turn to page 110

Correct.

Let's continue.

$$8/3 \div 6 = ?$$

(a)  $9/4$

Turn to page 133

(b)  $4/9$

Turn to page 143

(c)  $3/8$

Turn to page 105

Incorrect.

$$2 \frac{1}{3} \div 2 \frac{3}{4} = ?$$

- |                                     |                  |
|-------------------------------------|------------------|
| (a) $\frac{7}{3} \div \frac{9}{4}$  | Turn to page 169 |
| (b) $\frac{7}{3} \div \frac{3}{8}$  | Turn to page 145 |
| (c) $\frac{7}{3} \div \frac{11}{4}$ | Turn to page 149 |

Correct!

$$3 \frac{1}{4} \div 2 \frac{3}{7} = ?$$

- |                        |                  |
|------------------------|------------------|
| (a) $13/4 \div 7/17$   | Turn to page 142 |
| (b) $13/4 \times 7/17$ | Turn to page 148 |
| (c) $13/4 \div 6/7$    | Turn to page 147 |

Incorrect.

When dividing mixed numbers, we first change them to fractions and then divide.

Example:

$$1 \frac{3}{8} \div 2 \frac{1}{3} = \frac{11}{8} \div \frac{7}{3} = \frac{11}{8} \times \frac{3}{7} = \frac{33}{56}.$$

$$3 \frac{3}{5} \div 1 \frac{1}{5} = ?$$

- (a)  $\frac{1}{6}$  Turn to page 145
- (b) 3 Turn to page 140
- (c) I need more help Turn to page 147



Good!

Now try this one.

$$5/6 \div 5 = ?$$

(a) 6/25

Turn to page 129

(b) 6

Turn to page 123

(c) 1/6

Turn to page 143

Correct!

Let's do another one.

$$1/3 \div 1\ 4/5 = ?$$

(a) 6

Turn to page 136

(b)  $5/81$

Turn to page 147

(c)  $1\ 23/27$

Turn to page 148

**27/8 is correct!**

**$1 \frac{4}{5} \div 2 \frac{1}{3} = ?$**

**(a)  $9/5 \div 7/3$**

**Turn to page 144**

**(b)  $6/5 \div 7/3$**

**Turn to page 134**

**(c)  $9/5 \div 1/6$**

**Turn to page 134**

!hooooops!

$$3 \frac{1}{4} \div 2 \frac{3}{7} = 13/4 \div 17/7.$$

$$2 \frac{1}{5} \div 3 \frac{2}{3} = ?$$

- (a)  $11/5 \div 11/3$       Turn to page 149  
(b)  $11/5 \times 11/3$       Turn to page 90 in Booklet I

Very good! Your answer was correct.

$$2 \frac{2}{3} \div 1 \frac{1}{9} = ?$$

- (a)  $2 \frac{2}{5}$  Turn to page 132
- (b)  $\frac{5}{12}$  Turn to page 138
- (c) I don't know how to work this problem  
Turn to page 147

Pane 144

Correct!

$$1 \frac{4}{5} \div 2 \frac{1}{3} = ?$$

(a)  $\frac{54}{5}$

(b)  $\frac{27}{35}$


(c)  $\frac{63}{15}$

Turn to page 90 in Booklet I

Turn to page 132

Turn to page 138

Incorrect. You seem to be having trouble with mixed numbers. Let's look at it this way:

3  $\frac{3}{8}$  means  +  +  + 

How many sections of  $\frac{1}{8}$  are there?

(a) 27

Turn to page 149

(b) 4

Turn to page 150

Hey, you forgot the rule for division.

We multiply by the reciprocal of the divisor!

The divisor of  $x/3 \div y/5$  is:

(a)  $x/3$

Turn to page 158

(b)  $y/5$

Turn to page 151

(c) 15

Turn to page 2 in Booklet 1



When dividing integers or mixed numbers, we must always change them to fractions first.

EXAMPLE:  $1 \frac{8}{9} \div 3 = \frac{17}{9} \div \frac{3}{1}$

and  $4 \frac{4}{7} \div 2 \frac{1}{3} = \frac{32}{7} \div \frac{7}{3}$

Write  $3 \frac{3}{8}$  as a fraction.

(a)  $\frac{9}{8}$

Turn to page 150

(b)  $\frac{27}{8}$

Turn to page 141

(c)  $\frac{3}{24}$

Turn to page 150

Correct!

$$1 \frac{1}{3} \div 1 \frac{7}{9} = ?$$

(a)  $\frac{3}{4}$

Turn to page 132

(b)  $\frac{7}{3}$

Turn to page 147

(c)  $\frac{64}{27}$

Turn to page 136

Correct!

$$2 \frac{2}{3} \div 3 \frac{3}{4} = ?$$

- |                                     |                  |
|-------------------------------------|------------------|
| (a) $\frac{4}{3} \div \frac{9}{4}$  | Turn to page 147 |
| (b) $\frac{2}{6} \div \frac{3}{12}$ | Turn to page 150 |
| (c) $\frac{8}{3} \div \frac{15}{4}$ | Turn to page 137 |

You either need work with basic fractions or you were careless. Now:

$$3 \frac{3}{8} = 3 + \frac{3}{8} = \frac{3 \times 8}{1 \times 8} + \frac{3}{8} = \frac{24}{8} + \frac{3}{8} = \frac{27}{8}.$$

Did you notice what you did wrong?

(a) I need more help

Go see your teacher  
and then return to page  
147 of this Unit

(b) I want to try again

Go to page 147 and make  
another choice

That's correct!

Now, in the problem  $x/3 \div y/5$ , we multiply  $x/3$  by the reciprocal of the divisor and get:

(a)  $xy/15$

Turn to page 158

(b)  $5x/3y$

Turn to page 157

Whooops! Forgot to reduce your answer!

15a/24k reduced to lowest terms is:

(a)  $3a/8k$

Turn to page 163

(b)  $5a/8k$

Turn to page 154

Page 153

You need some practice working with letters.

Go work Unit 2 and then return to page 132 of  
Booklet II of this Unit.

Page 154

Correct!

The fraction  $30a/48k$  reduced is:

- |             |                  |
|-------------|------------------|
| (a) $5a/8k$ | Turn to page 162 |
| (b) $5a/4k$ | Turn to page 159 |



Incorrect.

The easy way to find the RECIPROCAL of anything is:

- (1) write it as a fraction, and then
- (2) invert the fraction.

EXAMPLES: the reciprocal of  $y/5$  is  $5/y$ .  
the reciprocal of  $K$  is  $1/K$ .

What is the reciprocal of 2?

(a)  $2/1$

Turn to page 100 in Booklet I

(b)  $1/2$

Turn to page 160

Incorrect.

You seem to be having trouble reducing fractions.

Go review/ reduction of fractions in Unit 3, beginning on page 20. Then return to page 157 of this Unit.

$5x/3y$  is correct. You are doing well.

$$3a/4 \div 6k/5 = ?$$

- |               |                  |
|---------------|------------------|
| (a) $15a/24k$ | Turn to page 152 |
| (b) $24k/15a$ | Turn to page 165 |
| (c) $5a/8k$   | Turn to page 162 |

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What? Come on now. Look at this example.

$x/3 \div y/5$  reads that  $x/3$  is to be divided by  $y/5$ .

Therefore,  $y/5$  is the DIVISOR.

Now, the reciprocal of the divisor of the above example is:

- |                  |                               |
|------------------|-------------------------------|
| (a) I don't know | Turn to page 100 in Booklet I |
| (b) $5/y$        | Turn to page 160              |
| (c) $5y$         | Turn to page 155              |

You are having trouble, aren't you?

Well, let's take an easy one.

Reduce the fraction  $30/45$ .

(a)  $2/3$

Turn to page 168

(b)  $6/5$

Turn to page 156

Correct!

In the problem  $5/a \div 3/k$ , the reciprocal of the divisor is:

- |           |                               |
|-----------|-------------------------------|
| (a) $a/5$ | Turn to page 158              |
| (b) $k/3$ | Turn to page 151              |
| (c) $5a$  | Turn to page 100 in Booklet I |
| (d) $3k$  | Turn to page 155              |

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3m/5 is the right answer.

$$4y/5k \div 2y/3 = ?$$

(a) 12y/10ky

Turn to page 152

(b) 6y/5ky

Turn to page 164

(c) 6/5k

Turn to page 167

Page 162

5a/8k is the correct answer. You're doing fine.

$$3/x \div 4a/3x = ?$$

(a)  $9x/4ax$

Turn to page 164

(b)  $9/4a$

Turn to page 180

(c)  $4/9a$

Turn to page 166



Incorrect.

$$15a/24k = \frac{\cancel{3} \times 5 \times a}{\cancel{3} \times 8 \times k} = 5a/8k.$$

Try this one.

Reduce  $6x/15p$ .

(a)  $3x/5p$

Turn to page 159

(b)  $2x/5p$

Turn to page 154

Hey! Anything divided by itself is 1--even letters.

So reduce your answers.

EXAMPLES: (1)  $\cancel{k}/\cancel{k} = 1$

(2)  $3k/k = 3/\cancel{1} \times \cancel{k}/\cancel{k} = 3/\cancel{1} \times 1 = 3$

(3)  $4p/2p = \frac{2 \times \cancel{2} \times \cancel{p}}{\cancel{2} \times \cancel{p}} = 2.$

Reduce  $6k/4k$ .

(a)  $2/3k$

Turn to page 153

(b)  $3/2$

Turn to page 167

Incorrect.

Let's see how the problem was worked.

$$3a/4 \div 6k/5 = 3a/4 \times 5/6k = \frac{3 \times 5 \times a}{6 \times 4 \times k} = \frac{5 \times a}{2 \times 4 \times k} = 5a/8k.$$

Try this one.

$$2a/5 \div 3k/10 = ?$$

(a)  $4a/3k$

Turn to page 170

(b)  $20a/15k$

Turn to page 152

(c)  $3ak/25$

Turn to page 75 in Booklet I

Wrong answer.

Here's how it is worked:

$$3/x \div 4a/3x = 3/x \times 3x/4a = \frac{3 \times 3 \times \cancel{x}}{4 \times a \times \cancel{x}} = 9/4a.$$

$$3k/5 \div k/m = ?$$

(a)  $\frac{3k \times k}{5m}$

Turn to page 146

(b)  $\frac{3km}{5k}$

Turn to page 164

(c)  $\frac{3m}{5}$

Turn to page 161

Correct:

$$3p/8a \div p/6 = ?$$

- |              |                  |
|--------------|------------------|
| (a) $9/4a$   | Turn to page 180 |
| (b) $9p/4ap$ | Turn to page 164 |
| (c) $4/9a$   | Turn to page 158 |

How that wasn't so hard, was it?

$$30/45 = \frac{2 \times \cancel{3} \times \cancel{5}}{3 \times \cancel{3} \times \cancel{5}} = 2/3.$$

What does 14p/35k equal?

(a) 7p/5k

Turn to page 156

(b) 2p/5k

Turn to page 154

**Incorrect.**

Remember that you divide fractions by multiplying  
by the reciprocal of the divisor.

Go back to page 136 and be more careful when  
you make your next choice.

That was correct!

In the problem  $4p/3 \div 2/f$ , you multiply (1) by  
(2).

- (a) (1)  $2/f$  by (2)  $3/4p$       Turn to page 175
- (b) (1)  $4p/3$  by (2)  $f/2$       Turn to page 179
- (c) (1)  $3/4p$  by (2)  $f/2$       Turn to page 75 in Booklet I



What? How did you get that? Maybe you are having trouble with reciprocals.

The reciprocal of  $8k/5a$  is:

- |             |                               |
|-------------|-------------------------------|
| (a) $5a/8k$ | Turn to page 179              |
| (b) $40ak$  | Turn to page 100 in Booklet I |
| (c) $5k/8a$ | Turn to page 155              |

Aw! You made the wrong choice. Don't you remember that  $a/b \div c/d$  reads that the fraction  $a/b$  is to be divided by  $c/d$ . Therefore,  $c/d$  is the divisor.

Now, the reciprocal of the divisor is:

- |           |                               |
|-----------|-------------------------------|
| (a) $cd$  | Turn to page 100 in Booklet I |
| (b) $c/d$ | Turn to page 155              |
| (c) $d/c$ | Turn to page 189              |

Correct!

$$\frac{1}{6}P \div 3a/2 = ?$$

(a)  $P/6 \times 2/3a$       Turn to page 182

(b)  $1/6P \times 2/3a$       Turn to page 190

Incorrect.

$\frac{1}{2}d$  is the fraction  $d/2$  and  $4a$  is the fraction  $4a/1$ .

Therefore,  $\frac{1}{2}d \div 4a = d/2 \div 4a/1 = d/2 \times 1/4a = d/8a$ .

$$\frac{1}{3}k \div 6 = ?$$

(a)  $K/18$

Turn to page 182

(b)  $1/18K$

Turn to page 190

You almost had it! In the problem  $4p/3 \div 2/f$ , the  $2/f$  is the divisor and, therefore, it is the number you invert.

$$3c/7 \div 3/k = ?$$

(a)  $3c/7 \times k/3$

Turn to page 181

(b)  $7/3c \times 3/k$

Turn to page 75 in Booklet I

Sorry! Wrong answer. Here's how you set it up:

$$\frac{2}{3}p \div 6a = 2p/3 \div 6a/1.$$

What do you get when you divide?

(a)  $p/9a$

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(b)  $9a/p$

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d/c is the correct answer.

$$k/m \div p/q = ?$$

(a)  $mp/kq$

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(b)  $kq/mp$

Turn to page 191

You almost had it!

In the problem  $a/b \div k$ ,  $k$  is the divisor; and, therefore, the number for which you find the reciprocal.

$$a/b \div k = ?$$

(a)  $a/b \times k/1$

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(b)  $a/b \times k/k$

Turn to page 158

(c)  $a/b \times 1/k$

Turn to page 187



Correct again!

$$5a/6 \div 4k/3 = ?$$

(a)  $10a/9k$

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(b)  $5a/8k$

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Very good! 9/4a was correct.

$$\frac{1}{2} d \div 4a = ?$$

(a)  $d/8a$

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(b)  $1/8ad$

Turn to page 185

(c)  $2ad$

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Page 181

Correct!

$$5r/3 \div 2t/9 = ?$$

(a)  $5r/3 \times 9/2t$       Turn to page 179

(b)  $5r/3 \times 9t/2$       Turn to page 171

Correct:

$$\frac{2}{3}p \div 6a = ?$$

(a)  $9a/p$

Turn to page 146

(b)  $p/9a$

Turn to page 195

(c)  $ap/9$

Turn to page 176

Page 183

You didn't read page 190 very well. Go back to page 190, reread the instructions, and make another selection.

Sorry, wrong answer.

We multiply by the reciprocal of the divisor.

Remember?

The reciprocal of  $c/d$  is:

(a)  $cd$

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(b)  $d/c$

Turn to page 177

(c)  $c/d$

Turn to page 193

Incorrect.

$\frac{1}{2}d$  is the fraction  $d/2$ , and  $4a$  is the fraction  $4a/1$ .

Therefore,  $\frac{1}{2}d \div 4a = d/2 \div 4a/1 = d/2 \times 1/4a = d/8a$ .

$$\frac{1}{3}k \div 6 = ?$$

(a)  $k/18$

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(b)  $1/18k$

Turn to page 190

Very good!  $a/bk$  is the correct answer. You have successfully completed this Unit. Let's briefly review what we have covered.

1. You have learned how to divide fractions of the form  $a/b$  by positive integers, where  $0 < (a,b) < 100$ .
2. You have learned how to divide fractions of the form  $a/b$  by fractions of the form  $c/d$ , where  $0 < (a,b,c,d) < 100$ .
3. You have learned how to divide mixed numbers by other mixed numbers, where the mixed numbers are of the form  $X a/b$  and  $0 < (X,a,b) < 100$ .
4. You have learned to divide fractions using letters.
5. You have learned to divide various combinations of problems made up of fractions, letters, mixed numbers, and integers listed above.

You are now ready for a test on this Unit. Go tell your teacher that you have finished.



Correct.

$$C \div p/q = ?$$

- |                      |                  |
|----------------------|------------------|
| (a) $C/1 \times p/q$ | Turn to page 146 |
| (b) $c/1 \times q/p$ | Turn to page 188 |
| (c) $1/C \times p/q$ | Turn to page 172 |

C/l x q/p is correct!

$p/q \div K = ?$

(a)  $Kq/p$

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(b)  $q/Kp$

Turn to page 194

(c)  $p/Kq$

Turn to page 191

$d/c$  is correct!

$$a/b \div c/d = ?$$

(a)  $a/b \times d/c$

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(b)  $b/a \times c/d$

Turn to page 146

(c)  $b/a \times d/c$

Turn to page 90 in Booklet 1

Incorrect. Let's look at an example.

$\frac{1}{3} K$  means  $\frac{1}{3} \times K$  or  $\frac{1}{3} \times K/1$ .

Therefore,  $\frac{1}{3} K$  is the fraction  $K/3$ .

Write  $\frac{2}{5} P$  as a fraction.

(a)  $\frac{2}{5}p$

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(b)  $\frac{2p}{5}$

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(c)  $\frac{2p}{5}$

Turn to page 182

Very good.

$$a/b \div K = ?$$

- |            |                  |
|------------|------------------|
| (a) $aK/b$ | Turn to page 184 |
| (b) $b/aK$ | Turn to page 194 |
| (c) $a/bK$ | Turn to page 186 |
| (d) $bK/a$ | Turn to page 178 |

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Good! Your answer was correct.

$$p/q \div k/m = ?$$

(a)  $kq/pm$

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(b)  $pm/kq$

Turn to page 191

Incorrect.

The easy way to find the reciprocal of anything is:

- (1) write it as a fraction, and then
- (2) invert the fraction.

EXAMPLES: (1) the reciprocal of  $K$  is  $1/K$

(2) the reciprocal of  $a/b$  is  $b/a$ .

What is the reciprocal of  $c/d$ ?

(a)  $cd$

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(b)  $d/c$

Turn to page 177

You almost had it.

In the problem  $a/b \div K$ ,  $K$  is the divisor; and, therefore, the number for which you find the reciprocal.

$$a/b \div K = ?$$

- |                      |                  |
|----------------------|------------------|
| (a) $a/b \times K/1$ | Turn to page 193 |
| (b) $a/b \times K/K$ | Turn to page 158 |
| (c) $a/b \times 1/K$ | Turn to page 187 |



Your answer was correct.

$$a/b \div c/d = ?$$

(a)  $ac/bd$

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(b)  $ad/bc$

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(c)  $bc/ad$

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TEST QUESTIONS

UNIT 7 - DIVISION OF FRACTIONS

Directions: The correct answers will always be expressed in lowest terms.

1. The quotient of 6 divided by 3 is

- a) 18
- b) 9
- c) 2

2.  $\frac{2}{3}$  divided by 6 is

- a) 9
- b) 4
- c)  $\frac{1}{9}$

3.  $\frac{2}{3}$  divided by  $\frac{3}{4}$  is

- a)  $\frac{9}{8}$
- b)  $\frac{8}{9}$
- c)  $\frac{1}{2}$

4.  $2\frac{1}{3}$  divided by  $2\frac{4}{5}$  is

- a)  $\frac{5}{6}$
- b)  $\frac{5}{12}$
- c)  $\frac{98}{15}$

5.  $\frac{g}{n}$  divided by  $\frac{p}{q}$  equals

- a)  $\frac{hp}{gq}$
- b)  $\frac{gq}{hp}$
- c)  $\frac{gp}{hq}$

Unit 7 (continued)

6.  $a/c$  divided by  $2/3$

- a)  $2a/3c$
- b)  $3a/2c$
- c)  $2c/3a$

7. The quotient of  $1/2$  divided by  $4/5$  is

- a)  $8/5$
- b)  $2/5$
- c)  $5/8$

8.  $\frac{3/4}{2} =$

- a)  $3/8$
- b)  $3/2$
- c)  $2 \cdot 2/3$

9. The word "Quotient" means that two numbers have been

- a) divided
- b) multiplied
- c) added

10.  $3 \frac{1}{3} \div \frac{5}{6} =$

- a)  $5 \frac{1}{2}$
- b) 4
- c)  $2 \frac{7}{9}$

11.  $1 \frac{1}{2}$  divided by  $1 \frac{3}{4}$  is

- a)  $7/6$
- b)  $5/9$
- c)  $6/7$

## Unit 7 (continued)

12.  $2a/y$  divided by  $c/3d$  =

- a)  $6yc/ad$
- b)  $2ac/3yd$
- c)  $6ad/yc$

13.  $c/d$  divided 3 =

- a)  $3c/d$
- b)  $c/3d$
- c)  $3/cd$

14.  $7/12$  divided by  $2/3$  is

- a)  $7/18$
- b)  $1\frac{1}{7}$
- c)  $7/8$

15.  $4\frac{1}{8} \div 2\frac{3}{4} =$ 

- a)  $1\frac{1}{2}$
- b)  $2/3$
- c)  $2\frac{1}{6}$

16. 0 divided  $2/3$  is

- a) no solution
- b)  $3/2$
- c) 0

17.  $5/6$  divided by 1 equals

- a)  $1\frac{1}{5}$
- b)  $5/6$
- c)  $1\frac{1}{6}$

## Unit 7 (continued)

18.  $8/9$  divided by  $3/4 =$

a)  $32/27$

b)  $2/3$

c)  $27/32$

19.  $2a/3b$  divided by  $c/6d =$

a)  $4ac/bd$

b)  $4ad/bc$

c)  $ad/4bc$

20.  $\frac{3 \frac{2}{3}}{3 \frac{1}{7}} =$

a)  $1 \frac{1}{6}$

b)  $4 \frac{2}{3}$

c)  $6/7$

21. What is  $5/6$  divided by  $10/13$  ?

a)  $25/39$

b)  $12/13$

c)  $1 \frac{1}{12}$

22.  $(2 \frac{2}{3}) \div (2) =$

a)  $3/4$

b)  $3 \frac{1}{3}$

c)  $4/3$

23.  $\frac{d/c}{b/a} =$

a)  $ab/dc$

b)  $ad/bc$

c)  $bc/ad$

24.  $\frac{3}{4}$  divided by 0 =

- a) 0
- b) no solution
- c)  $\frac{3}{4}$

25.  $\frac{3}{8}$  divided by  $\frac{9}{4}$  =

- a)  $\frac{1}{6}$
- b)  $1\frac{5}{27}$
- c) 6

## ANSWER SHEET

### Unit 7 - Division of Fractions

- |       |       |
|-------|-------|
| 1. c  | 15. a |
| 2. c  | 16. c |
| 3. b  | 17. b |
| 4. a  | 18. a |
| 5. b  | 19. b |
| 6. b  | 20. a |
| 7. c  | 21. c |
| 8. a  | 22. c |
| 9. a  | 23. b |
| 10. b | 24. b |
| 11. c | 25. a |
| 12. c |       |
| 13. b |       |
| 14. c |       |

To the instructor: The above problems are related to the objectives as follows:

OBJECTIVE 1 : Questions 1,7,9

OBJECTIVE 2 : Questions 2,8,13,17

OBJECTIVE 3 : Questions 3,7,14,18,25

OBJECTIVE 4 : Questions 4,11,15,20

OBJECTIVE 5 : Questions 5,12,19,23

OBJECTIVE 6 : All the questions are related to this objective, however, the following are not specifically covered in the other objectives.  
Questions 6,10,16,22,24

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